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CHILDREN ACROSS  
THIS BORDER!

YOU HAVE  
MADE BLIND  
EYES SEE!

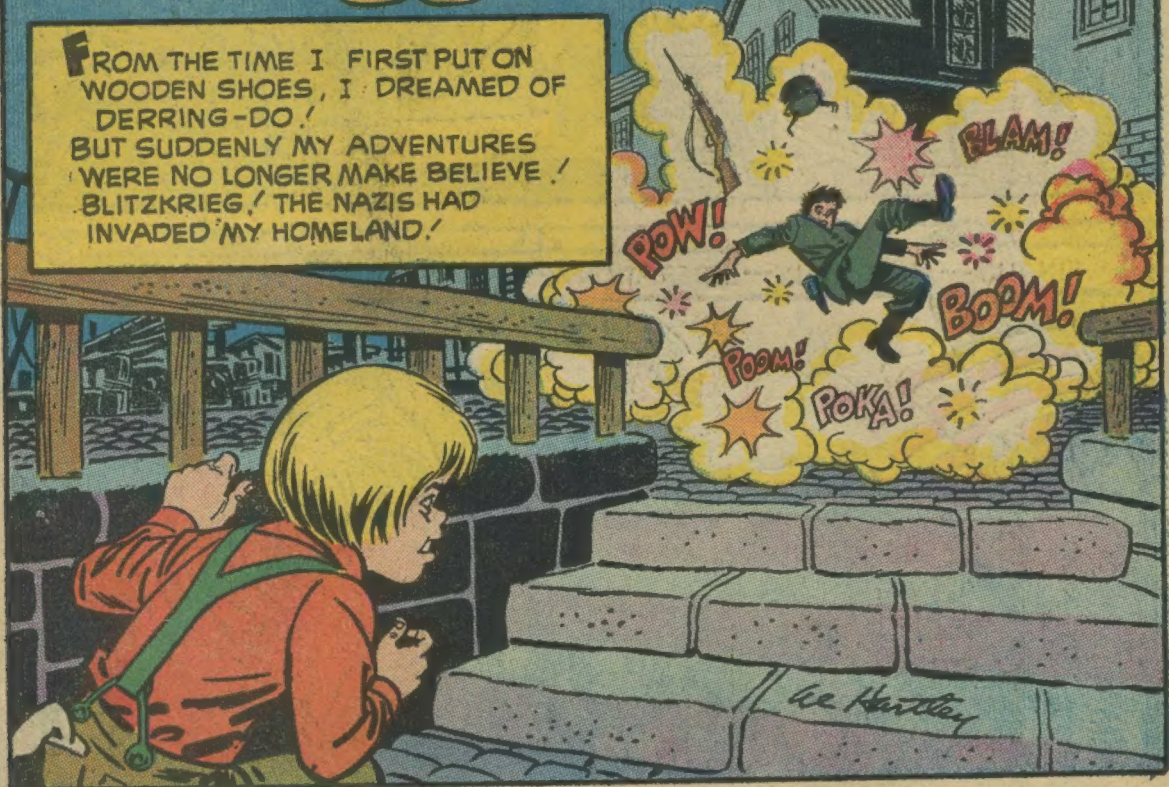
PLEASE  
MAKE  
SEEING EYES  
BLIND!





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FROM THE TIME I FIRST PUT ON WOODEN SHOES, I DREAMED OF DERRING-DO! BUT SUDDENLY MY ADVENTURES WERE NO LONGER MAKE BELIEVE! BLITZKRIEG! THE NAZIS HAD INVADDED MY HOMELAND!



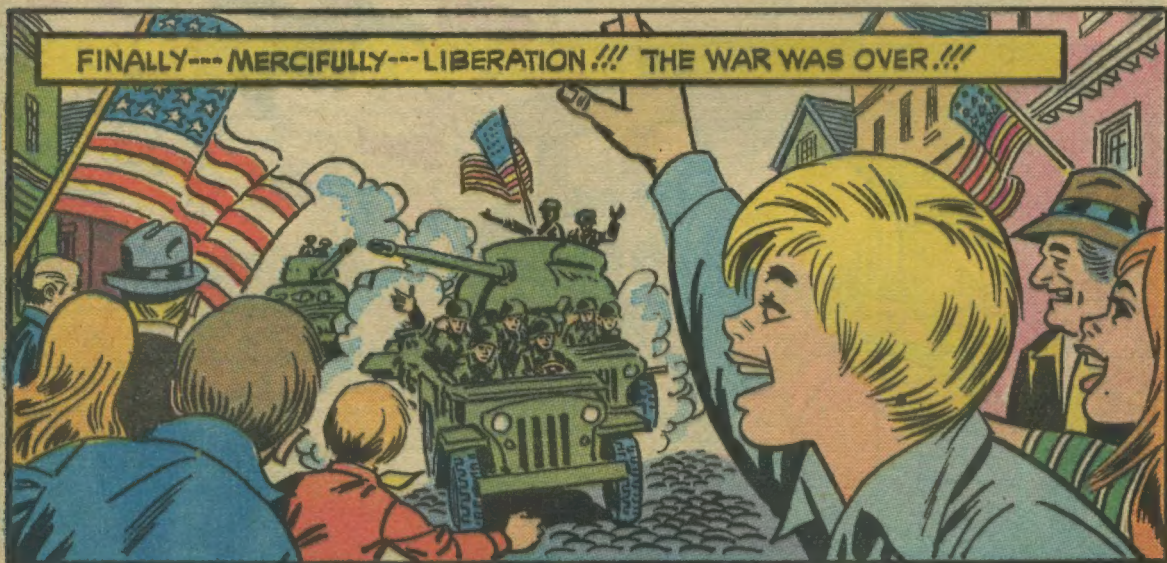


**BUT JOKES AGAINST THE NAZIS  
CEASED TO BE FUNNY AS THE  
OCCUPATION DRAGGED ON.!**

**BEFORE I WAS 14, I WAS  
JOINING THE FLIGHT TO ESCAPE  
DEPORTATION TO THE FORCED  
LABOR CAMPS OF GERMANY.!**



**FINALLY--- MERCIFULLY--- LIBERATION !!! THE WAR WAS OVER.!!!**



**BUT MY THIRST FOR ADVENTURE  
CONTINUED. WHEN I WAS 18 ---**

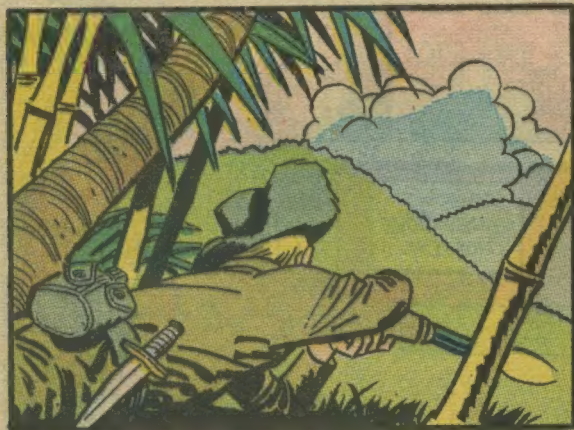




AND SO I ARRIVED IN INDONESIA  
TO TAKE BACK OUR COLONIES FOR  
THE QUEEN !



SUDDENLY TARGETS WERE NO  
LONGER PIECES OF PAPER ! THEY  
WERE FATHERS AND BROTHERS JUST  
LIKE MY OWN !!!



WHAT  
AM I  
DOING  
HERE ?

WHAT IS THIS  
MADNESS ALL  
ABOUT ?



WHEN THE SKIRMISH ENDED,  
THE REAL BATTLE BEGAN !  
AND THERE WAS NO ESCAPE !

LIVE, DRINK  
AND BE MERRY,  
ANDY !

TOMORROW  
WE MAY  
DIE !

WHY  
?

WHY  
???





THEN, IN AN AMBUSH---



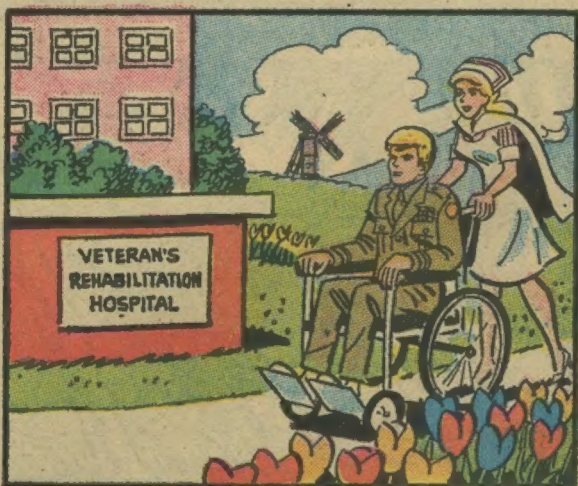
I HAD ALWAYS IMAGINED MYSELF GOING OUT IN A BLAZE OF GLORY, SHOWING CONTEMPT FOR THE WHOLE HUMAN FARCE!



YOU'LL NEVER WALK WITHOUT A CANE!



AND SO MY GREAT ADVENTURE ENDED— IN DISASTER!!!



DON'T BE BITTER, SOLDIER---

LET ME READ TO YOU!



HER NAME WAS CORRIE AND SHE READ WITH SUCH FEELING, I DIDN'T MIND THAT IT WAS FROM THE BIBLE!

---MY STRENGTH IS MADE PERFECT IN WEAKNESS---



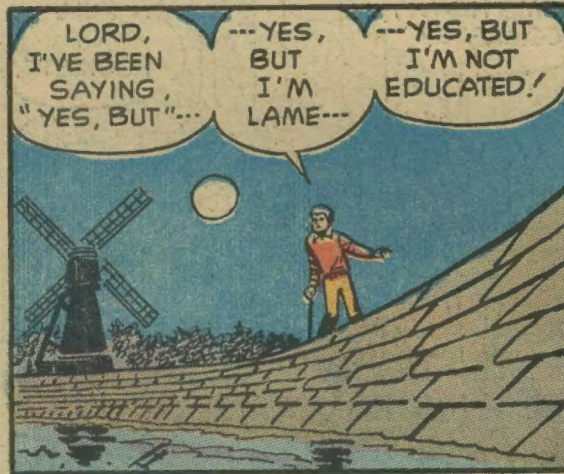




I SEARCHED THE BIBLE FOR GOD'S PROMISES AND MORE AND MORE I FELT HIS LOVE POURING INTO MY LIFE! BUT I COULDN'T SEE HIM WANTING ME!



AND THEN ONE NIGHT, OUT ON THE DIKE, I TOOK THE STEP OF YES!



MY STEP OF FAITH CARRIED ME FURTHER THAN I DREAMED---







"WE KNOW THAT ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE IN HIM!"

"THIS IS ONLY THE BEGINNING, ANDREW!"

SOON I ENROLLED IN A SEMINARY AND LEARNED THAT MY GOD WAS TRULY A GOD OF MIRACLES! HE WAS LEADING ME IN THE ULTIMATE HUMAN ADVENTURE!

IT STARTED WITH AN INVITATION---AND MY LIFE HAS NEVER BEEN THE SAME!

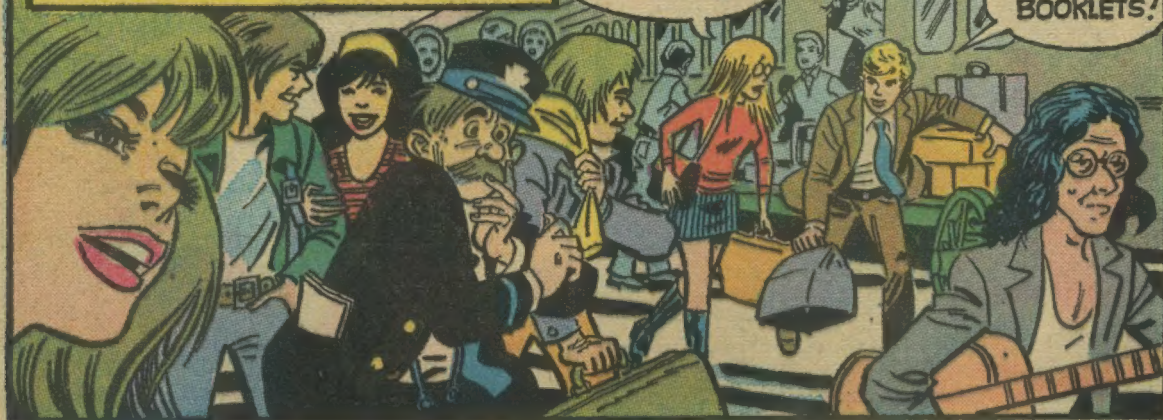


IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND THE WORLD YOUTH FESTIVAL IN PRAGUE, IT CAN BE ARRANGED!

I JUMPED AT THE CHANCE! SHORTLY I WAS BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN WITH THOUSANDS OF OTHER YOUNG PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD!

YOUR SUITCASE SEEMS HEAVY, COMRADE!

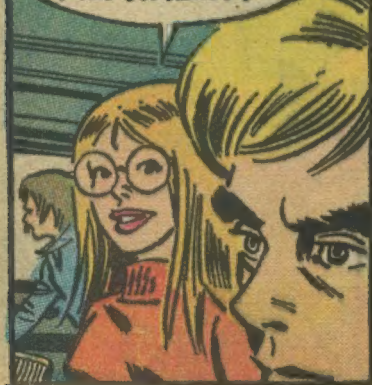
YES! IT'S FULL OF BOOKLETS!



SPLENDID! MARX SAID WE WOULD CONQUER THE WORLD WITH 26 LEAD SOLDIERS - THE ALPHABET!

YOUR LITERATURE CONCERNS THE CLASS STRUGGLE?

HAVE ONE!



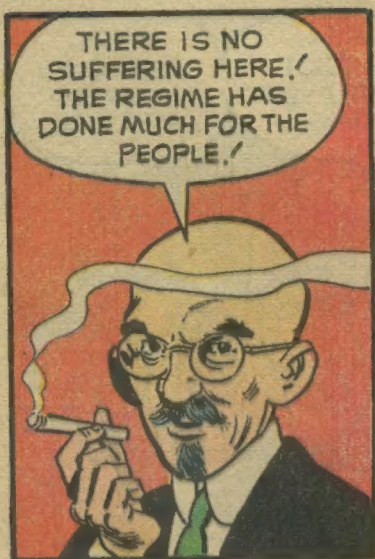
YOU CAN TALK ABOUT COMMUNISM!

I WISH TO TALK ABOUT JESUS CHRIST!



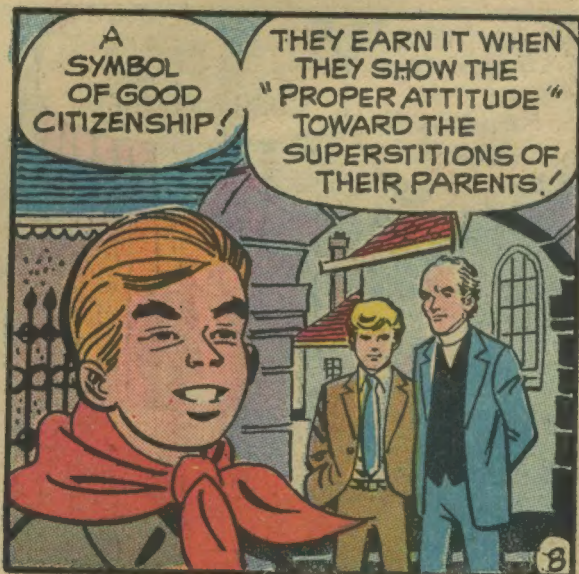


THOUSANDS OF STUDENTS CAME TO THE WORLD YOUTH FESTIVAL IN PRAGUE! BUT MY PURPOSE WAS DIFFERENT FROM THEIRS--- I WANTED TO OBSERVE THE QUALITY OF RELIGION BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN!





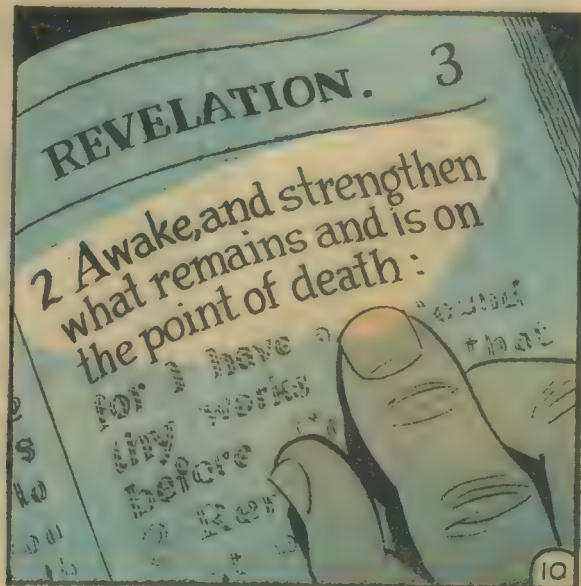
LATER, I LEARNED MORE OF THOSE  
POSSIBILITIES ---



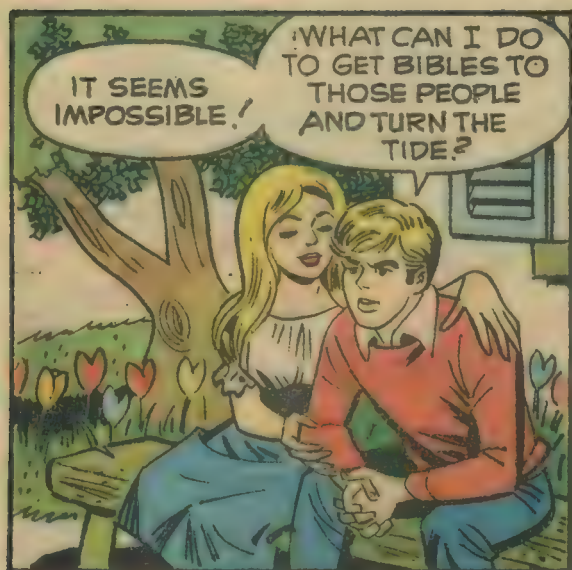












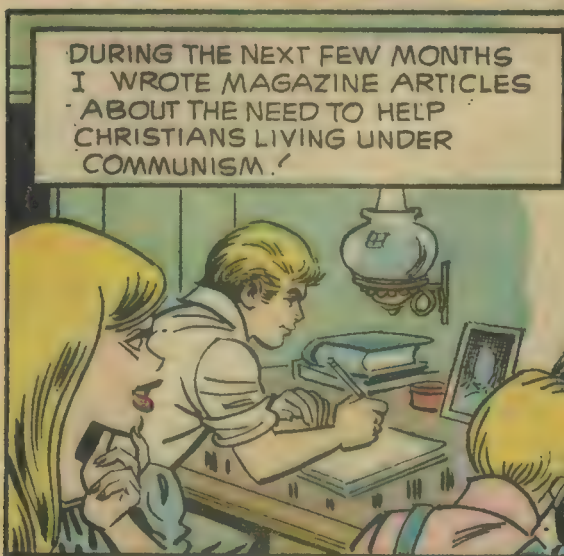
IT SEEMS IMPOSSIBLE!

WHAT CAN I DO TO GET BIBLES TO THOSE PEOPLE AND TURN THE TIDE?



YOU CAN DO NOTHING, ANDREW!

BUT GOD CAN DO EVERYTHING!

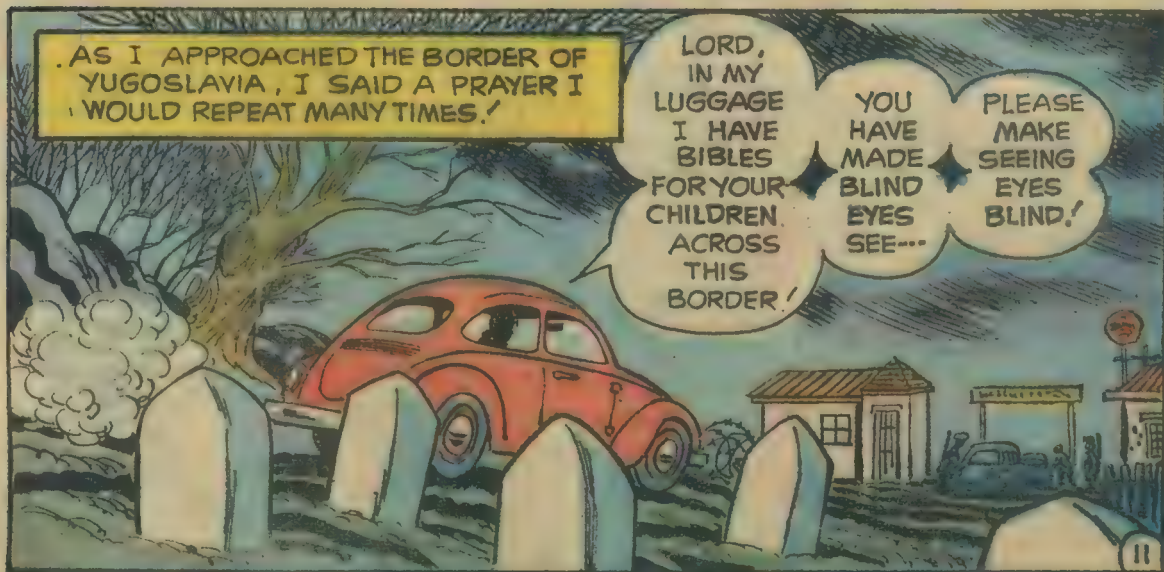


DURING THE NEXT FEW MONTHS I WROTE MAGAZINE ARTICLES ABOUT THE NEED TO HELP CHRISTIANS LIVING UNDER COMMUNISM.



AND I SPOKE WHEREVER I COULD---TRYING TO GET PEOPLE TO CARE!

SOON MONEY BEGAN TO ARRIVE!  
ENOUGH TO BUY BIBLES AND FINANCE MY FIRST ADVENTURE AS GOD'S SMUGGLER !!!



AS I APPROACHED THE BORDER OF YUGOSLAVIA, I SAID A PRAYER I WOULD REPEAT MANY TIMES!

LORD, IN MY LUGGAGE I HAVE BIBLES FOR YOUR CHILDREN ACROSS THIS BORDER!

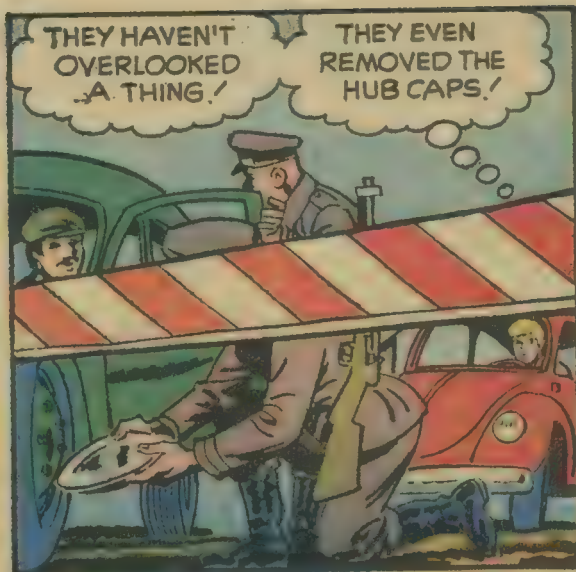
YOU HAVE MADE BLIND EYES SEE---

PLEASE MAKE SEEING EYES BLIND!



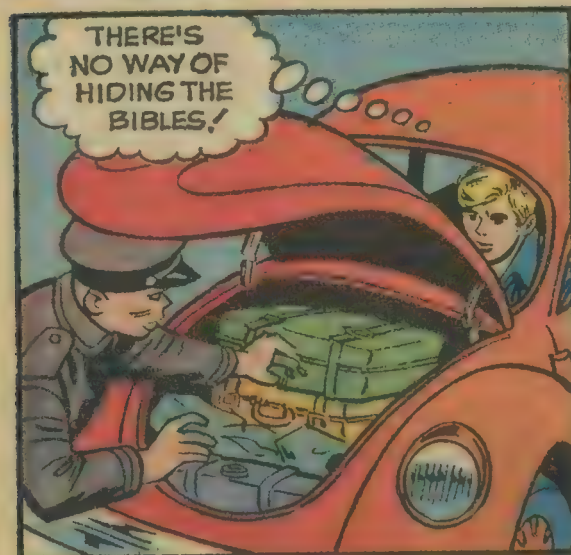


THE GUARDS HAVE SPENT AN **HOUR** SEARCHING THE CAR AHEAD OF ME!



THEY HAVEN'T OVERLOOKED A THING!

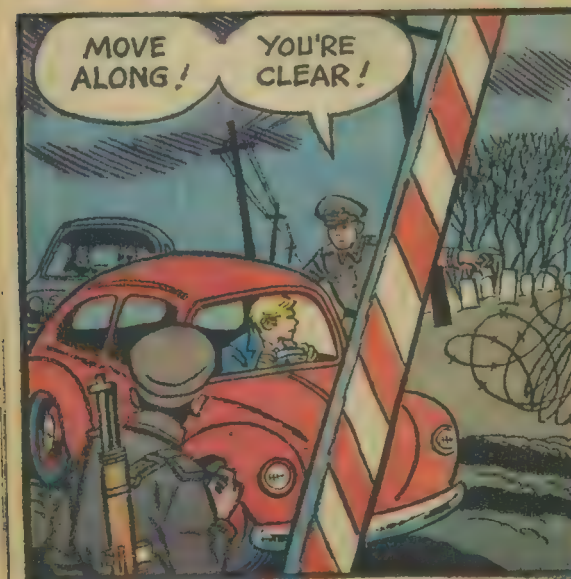
THEY EVEN REMOVED THE HUB CAPS!



THERE'S NO WAY OF HIDING THE BIBLES!



OH, LORD, DON'T LET THE GUARDS SEE THOSE BIBLES!



MOVE ALONG!

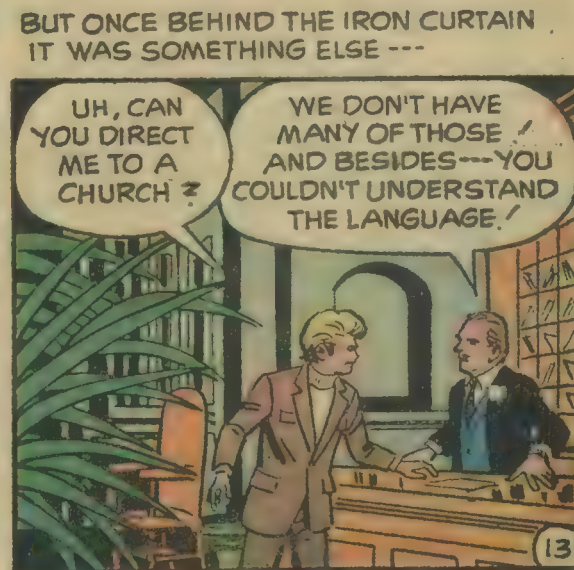
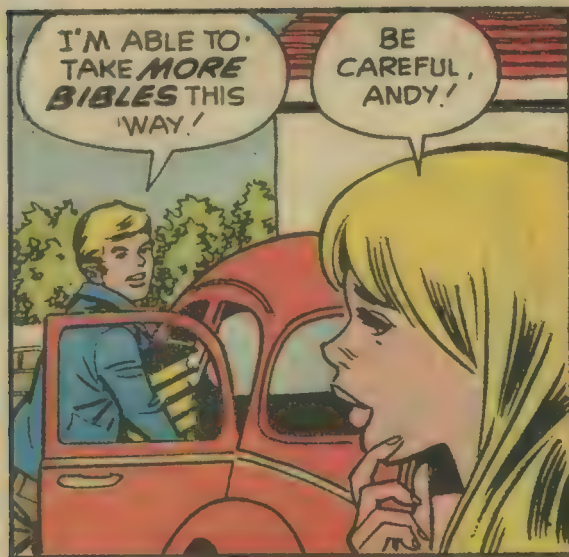
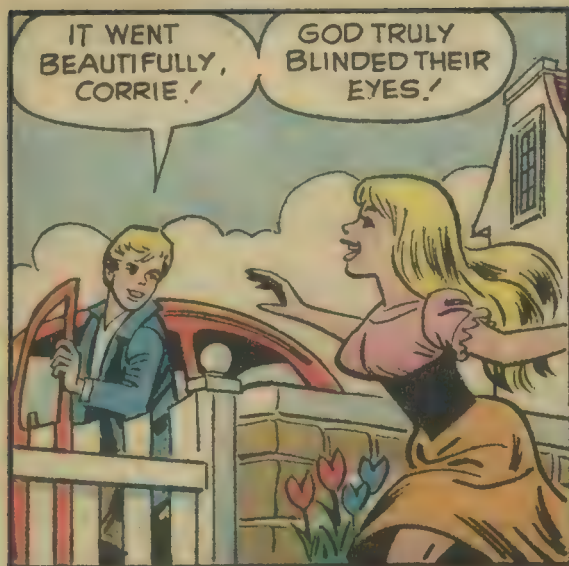
YOU'RE CLEAR!



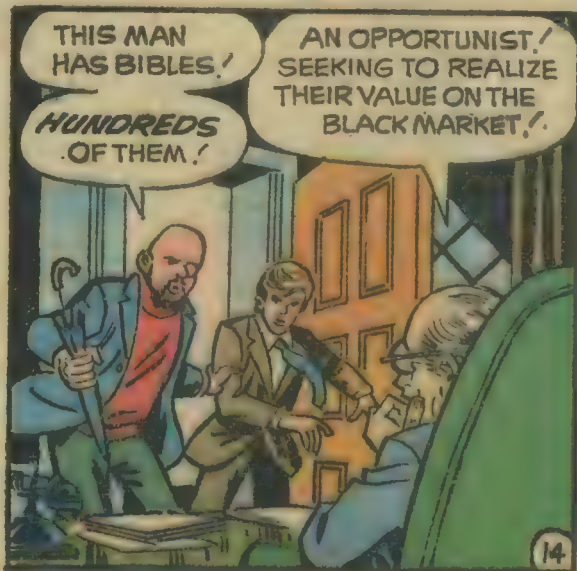
ANDREW!

I BROUGHT GIFTS!

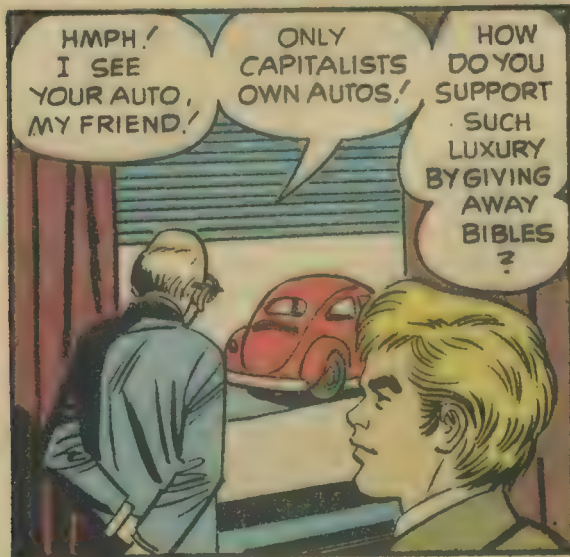
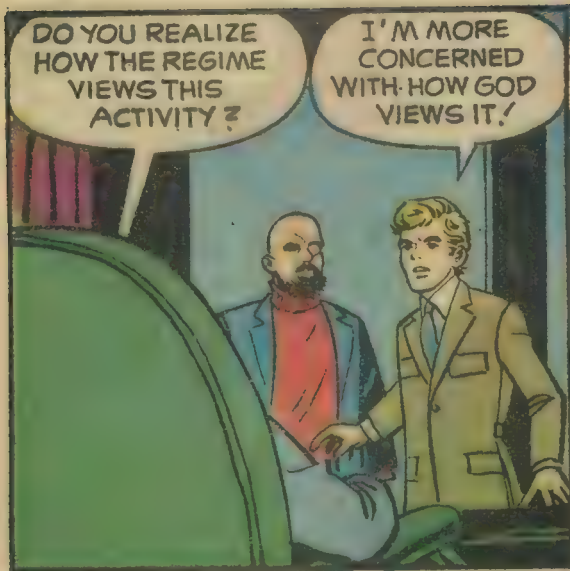




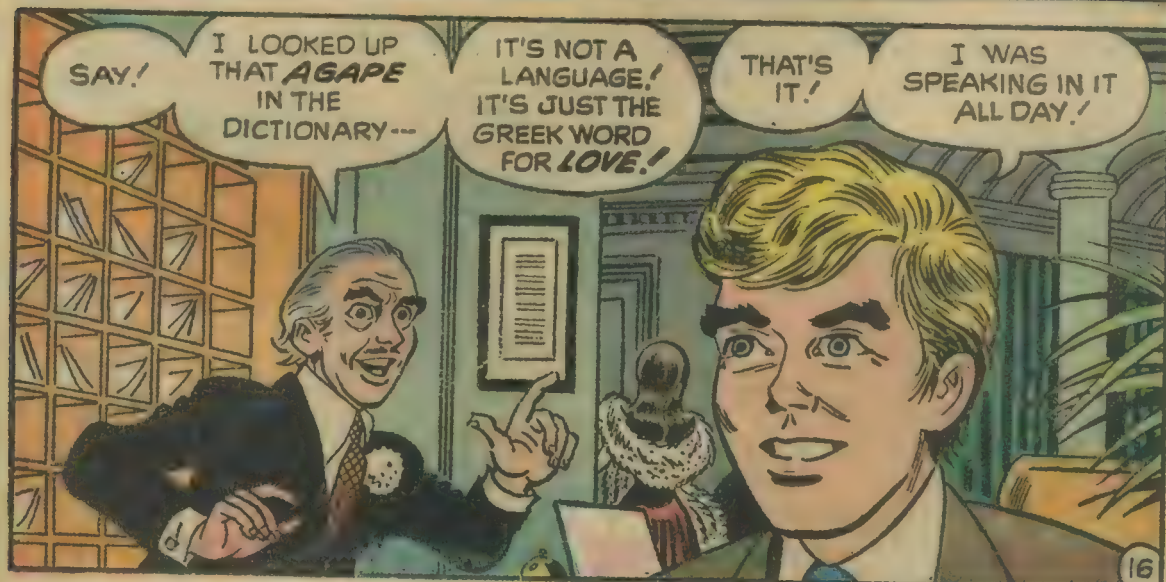
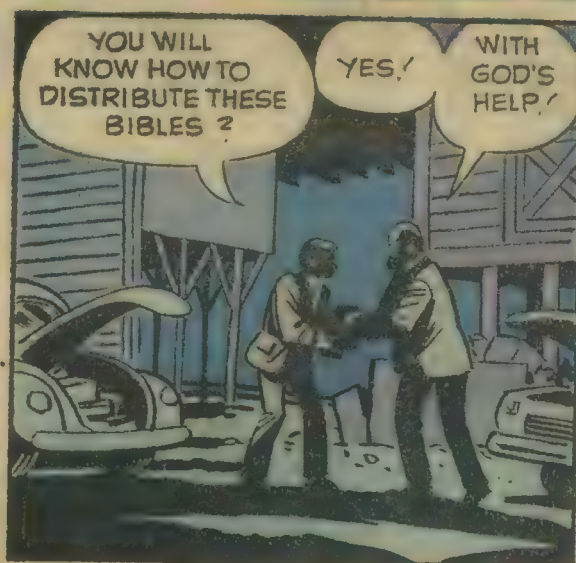






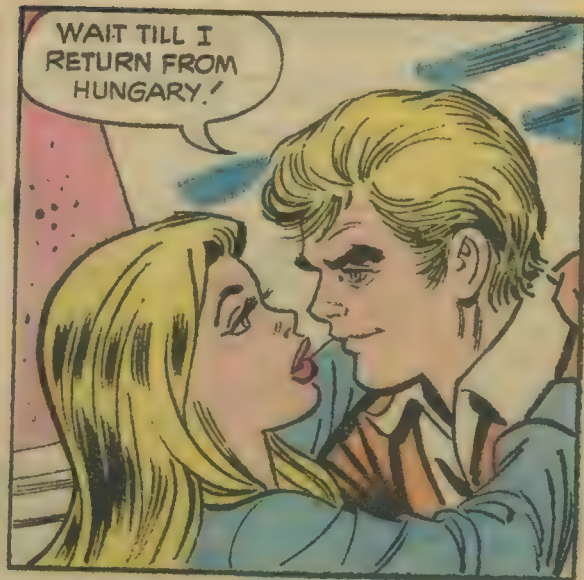
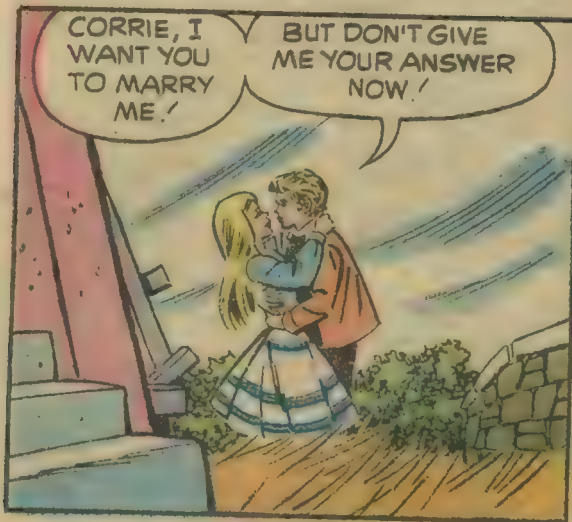






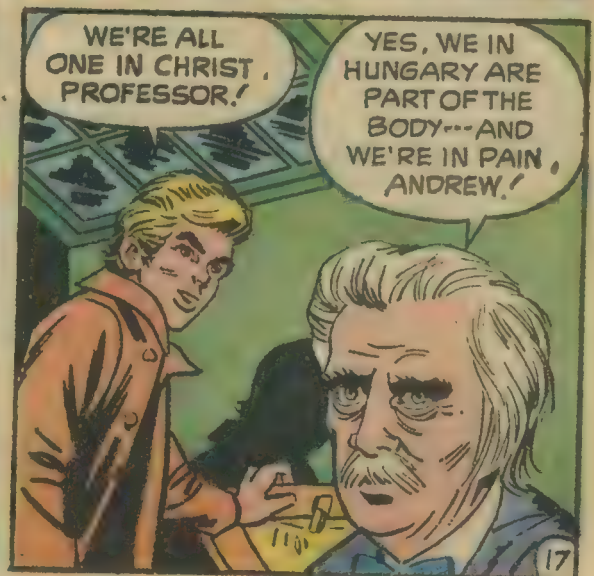
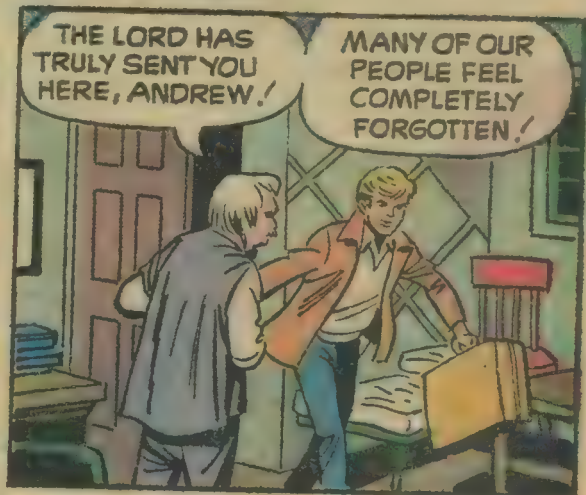
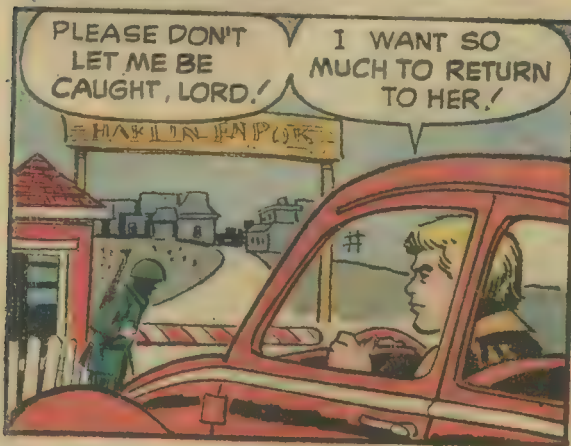


AND SPEAKING OF LOVE ---



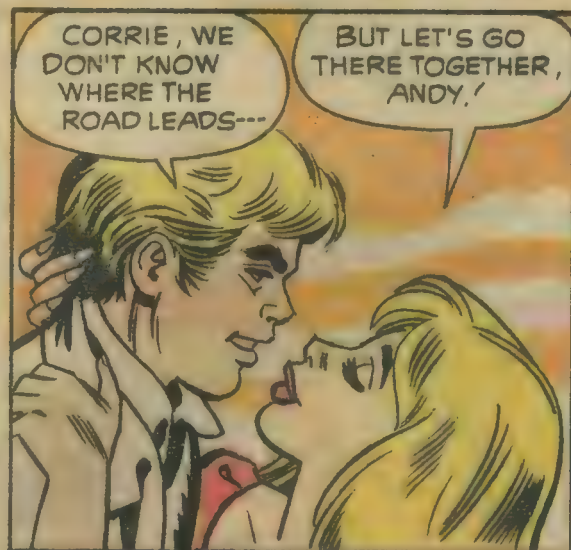
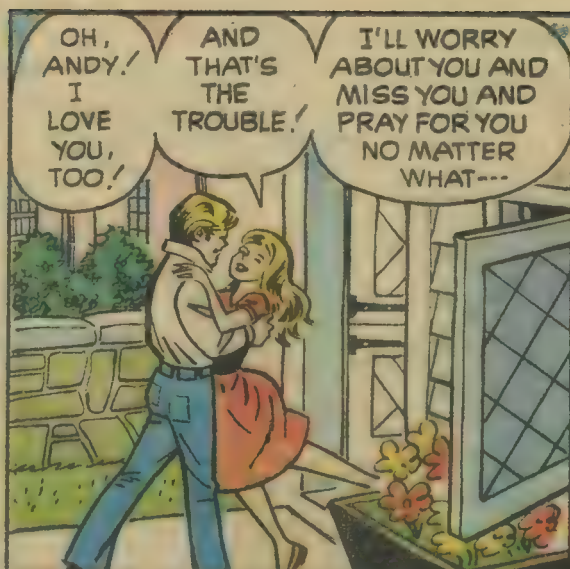
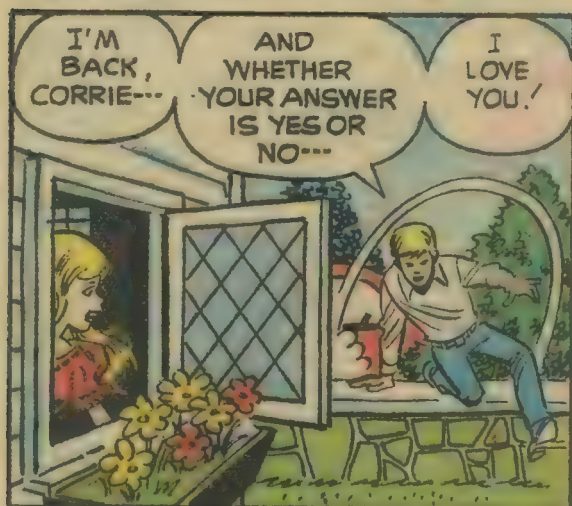
I FELT THE SEPARATION WOULD TEACH CORRIE SOMETHING --- I DIDN'T REALIZE HOW MUCH IT WOULD TEACH ME!

I HAD THE ADDRESS OF PROFESSOR B IN BUDAPEST---



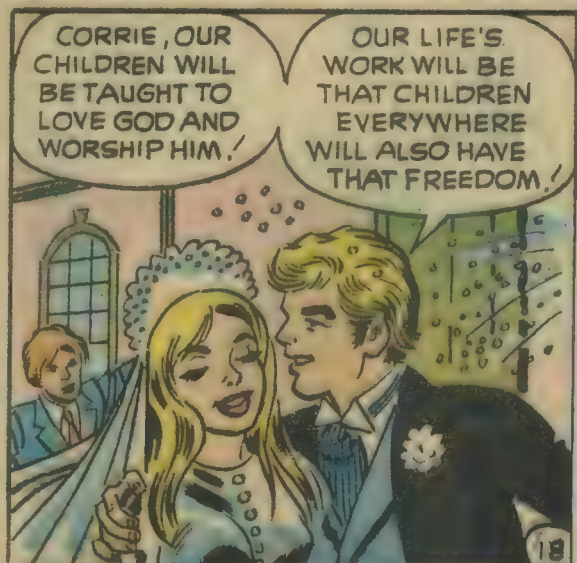


THE TRIP HOME SEEMED LONGER THAN EVER ---



A LETTER FROM PROFESSOR B EMPHASIZED THE DANGER OF THE ROAD WE WERE TAKING ---

Dear Andrew:  
I believe I should share with you something that has happened. Do not think it is the result of your visit... it was coming anyhow. I have been forced to resign from the University. Do not feel sad. Many have given up for more for their Saviour. You will not hear from us anymore. Our mail is censored. This letter is being carried by a friend.

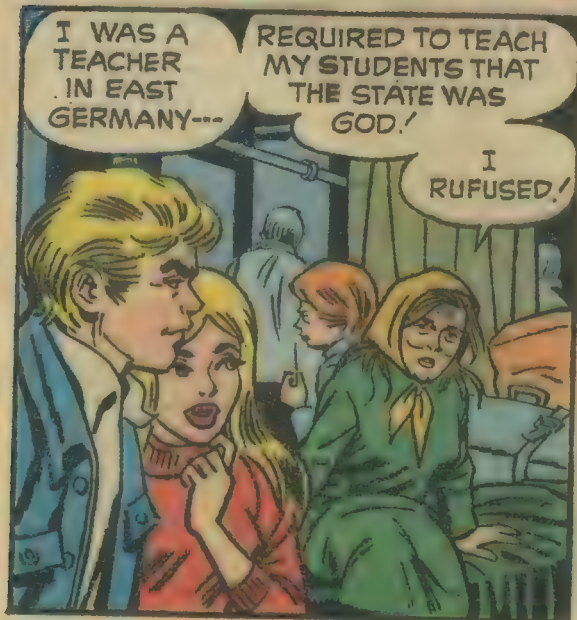
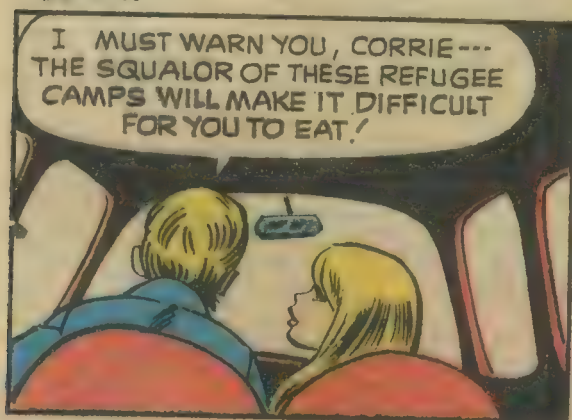




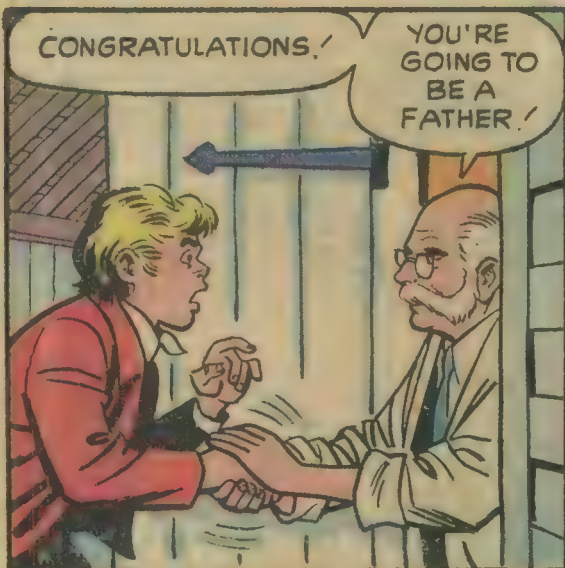
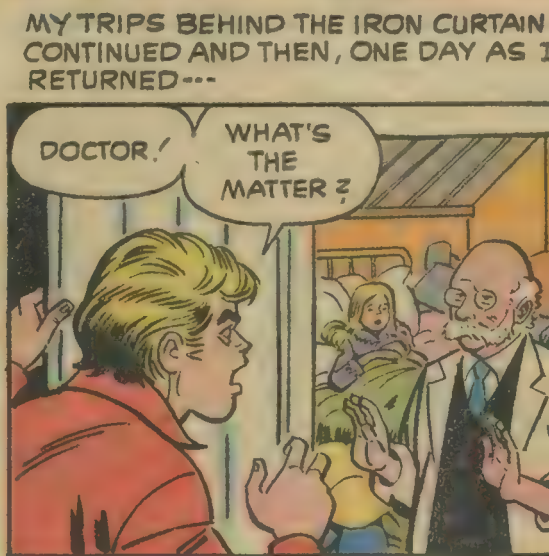
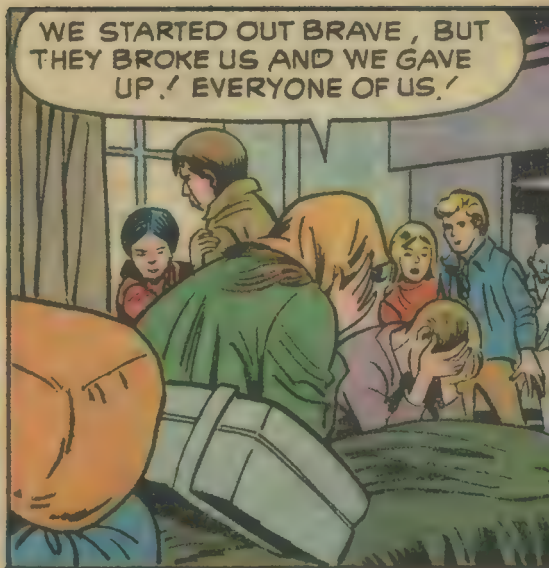
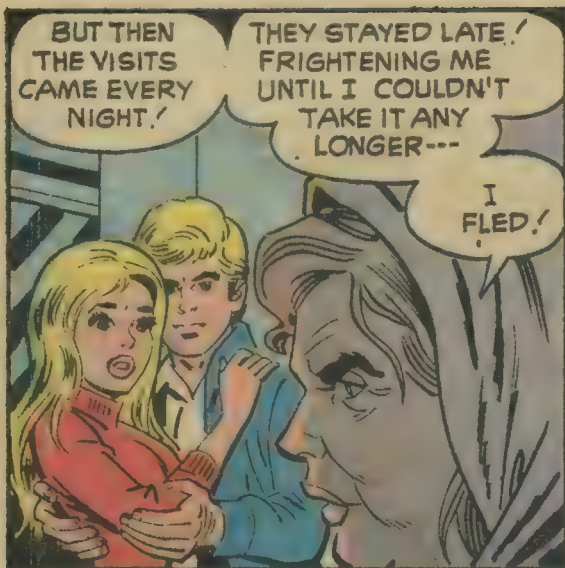
AND SO, CORRIE AND I MOVED INTO MY ONE LITTLE ROOM ---



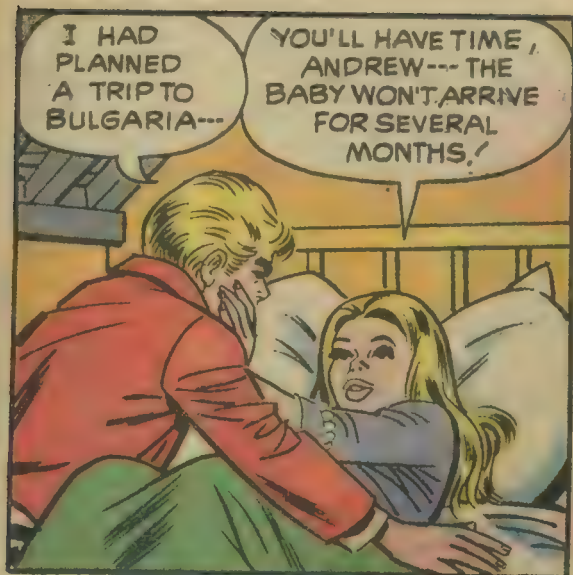
CORRIE ACCOMPANIED ME TO WEST BERLIN ---











YES, THERE WAS TIME--- TIME TO WEIGH THE RISKS OF MY ADVENTURE NOW THAT I WOULD BECOME A FATHER---



EVERY PART OF EVERY TRIP WAS BATHED IN PRAYER---

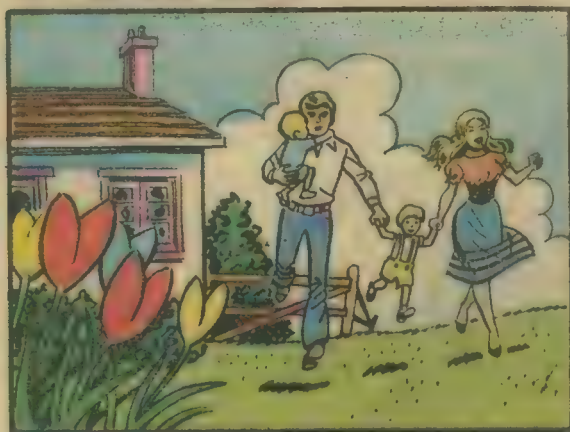






IN GOD'S AMAZING GRACE THERE WERE MANY ADVANCES! BLESSINGS POURED INTO MY LIFE! CHILDREN! A HOME OF OUR OWN!

AND THEN GOD SENT HANS TO JOIN ME ---

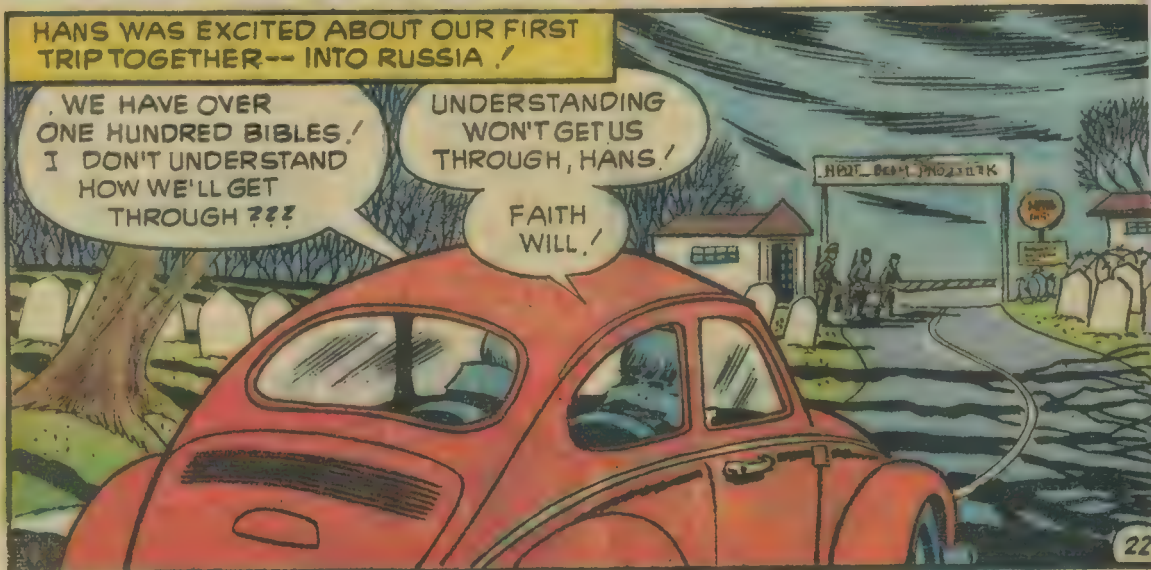


HANS WAS EXCITED ABOUT OUR FIRST TRIP TOGETHER-- INTO RUSSIA!

WE HAVE OVER ONE HUNDRED BIBLES! I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW WE'LL GET THROUGH ???

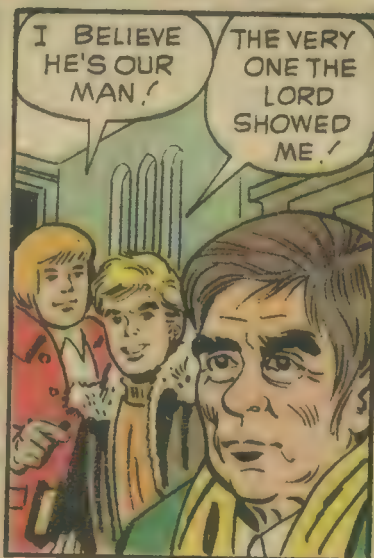
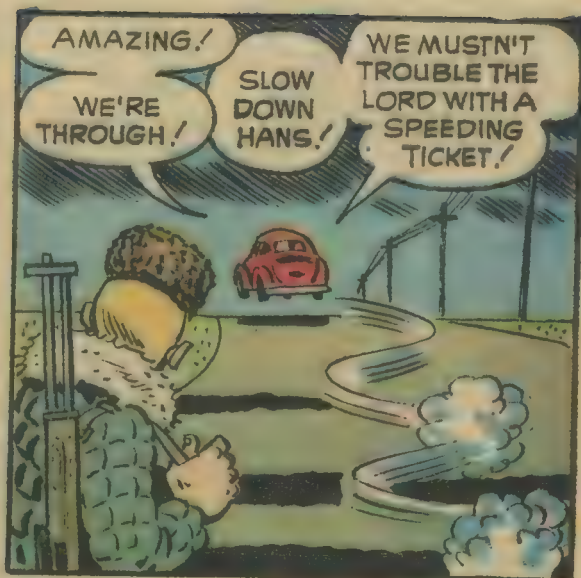
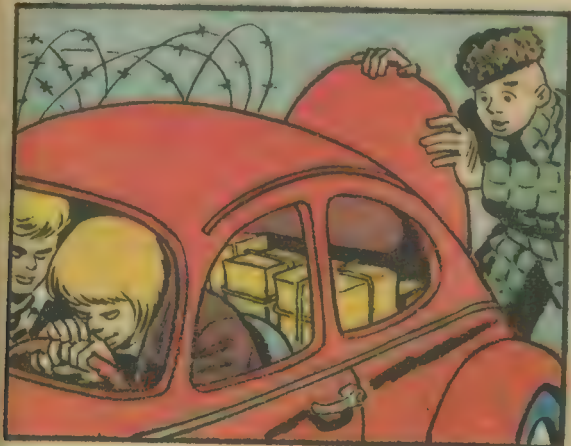
UNDERSTANDING WON'T GET US THROUGH, HANS!

FAITH WILL!

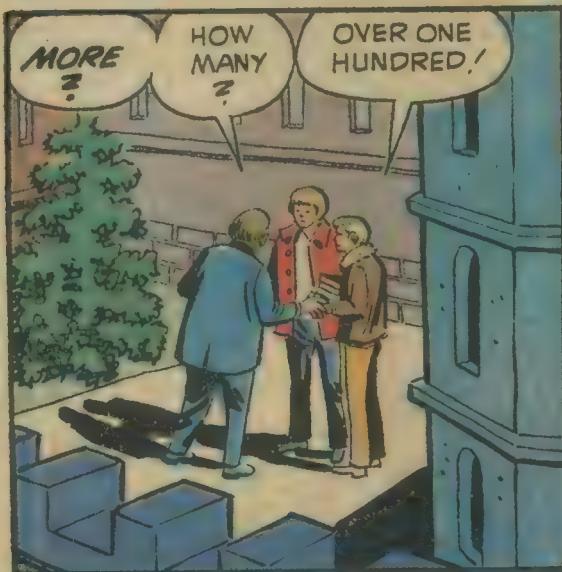




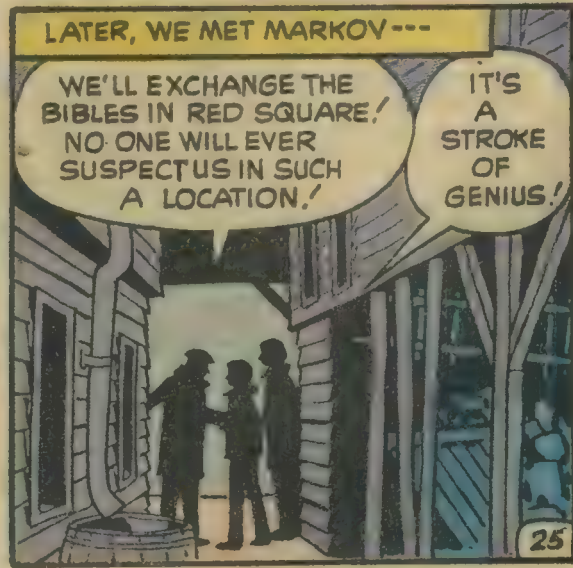
AGAIN THE LORD PERFORMED HIS MIRACLE. THE BORDER GUARD WAS MORE INTERESTED IN OUR VW ENGINE THAN ANYTHING ELSE.







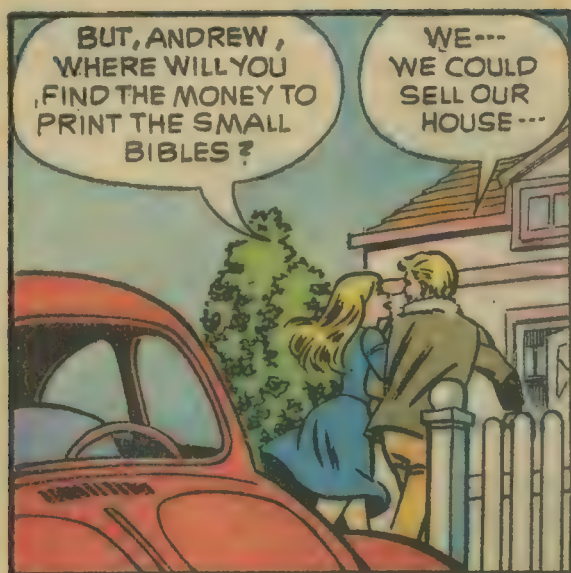








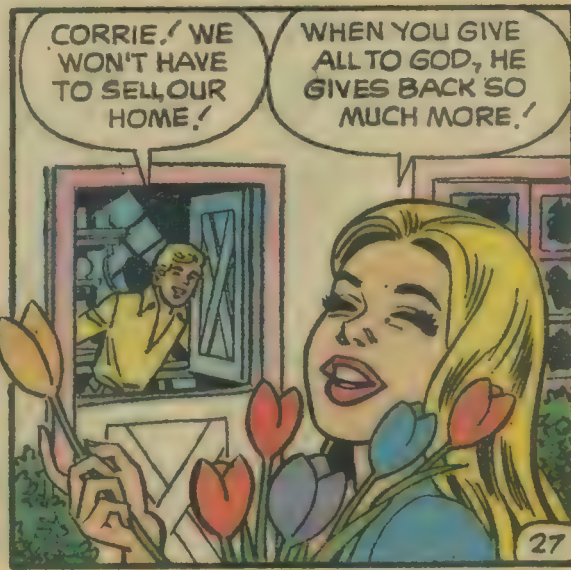




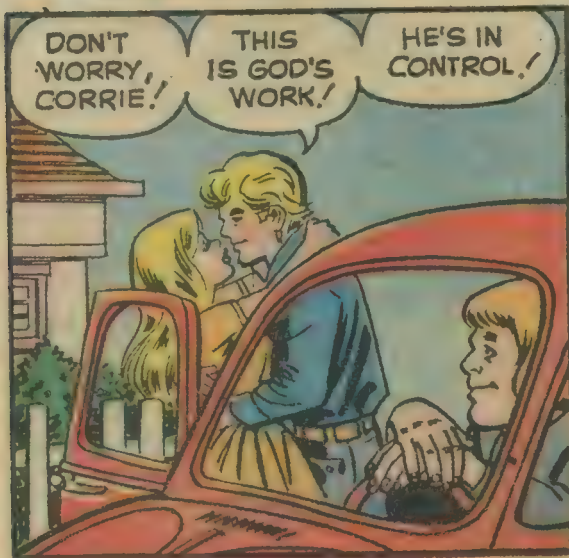
AND SO, WE PUT OUR HOME ON THE MARKET! BUT STRANGELY--IN SPIKE OF AN ACUTE HOUSING SHORTAGE--NOT A SINGLE PERSON CAME TO LOOK!



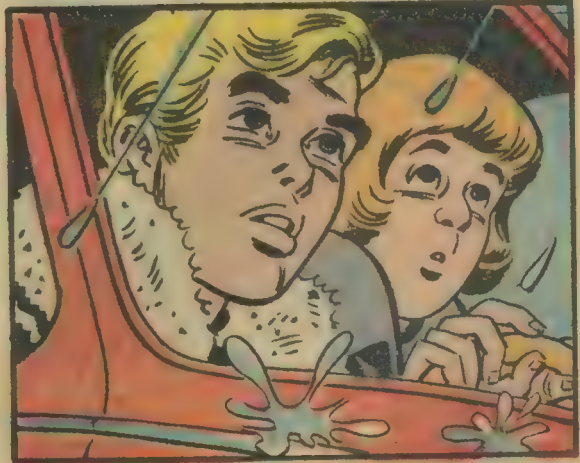
AND THEN I HAD A TELEPHONE CALL---







GOD AGAIN PERFORMED HIS MIRACLE AT THE BORDER, AND THEN HE DID SOMETHING ELSE ---



IT WAS AS IF A CELESTIAL RESERVOIR HAD BURST---

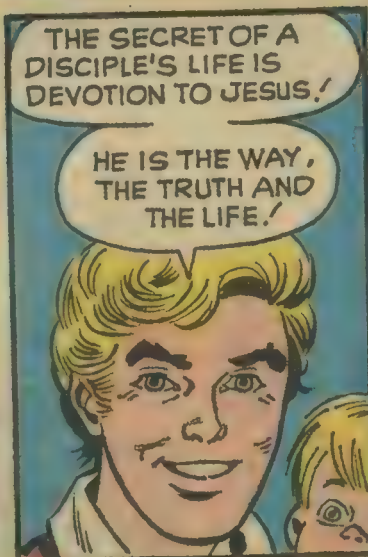




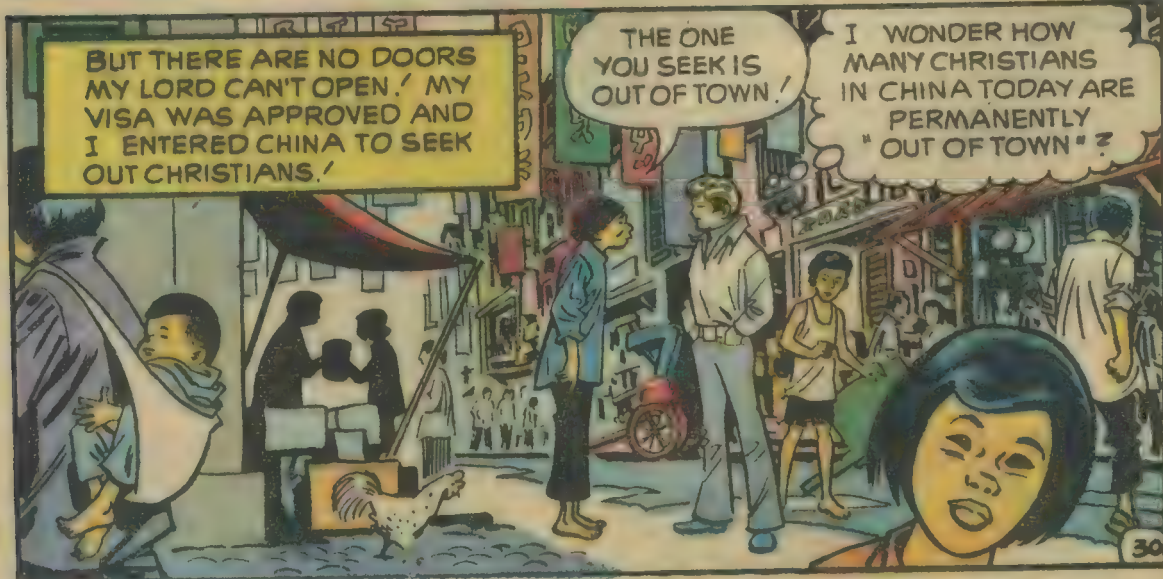
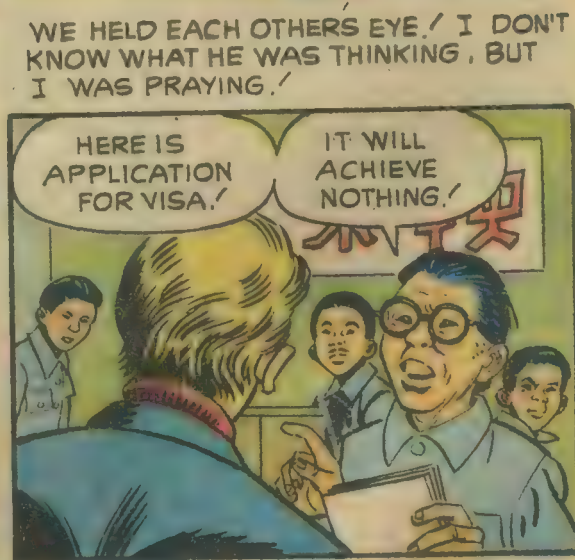
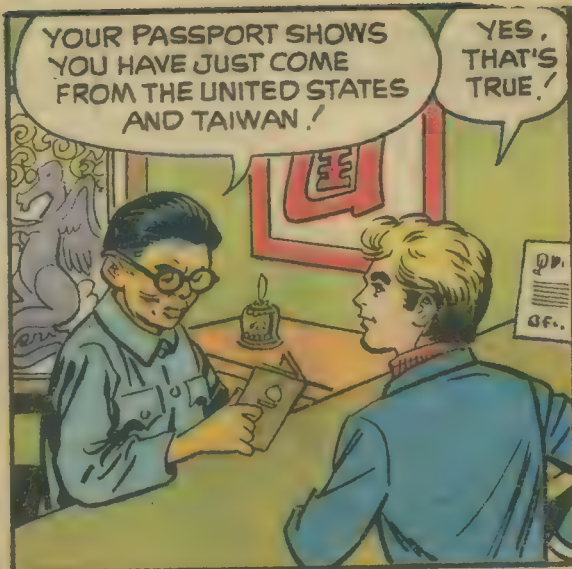
THE LORD'S  
BLESSINGS  
CONTINUED!

OUR TEAM  
GREW TO 12  
MEMBERS  
MAKING  
REGULAR  
TRIPS INTO  
COMMUNIST  
LANDS!

AND AT  
HOME, MORE  
AND MORE  
PEOPLE  
BECAME  
INVOLVED!











YOU  
WILL FIND  
NO CHURCHES  
HERE!

RELIGION  
IS FOR THE  
HELPLESS!

AND WE  
ARE NO  
LONGER  
HELPLESS!

THE  
RED  
GUARD  
BURNED  
ALL OUR  
BIBLES!

天下中

WE  
WANT NO  
MISSIONARIES!

THEY  
ARE ALL  
SPIES!

WE  
HAVE A  
SMALL GROUP  
OF BELIEVERS  
BUT NO YOUNG  
PEOPLE!

WHY  
SHOULD  
I READ  
THE  
BIBLE  
?

I HAVE  
THE SAYINGS  
OF CHAIRMAN  
MAO!

NO ONE  
HAS EVER MADE  
CHRISTIANITY  
ATTRACTIVE  
TO US!

WHAT  
CHANCE DOES  
THE GOSPEL HAVE  
WHEN IT IS BELIEVED  
ONLY BY THE  
OLD ?

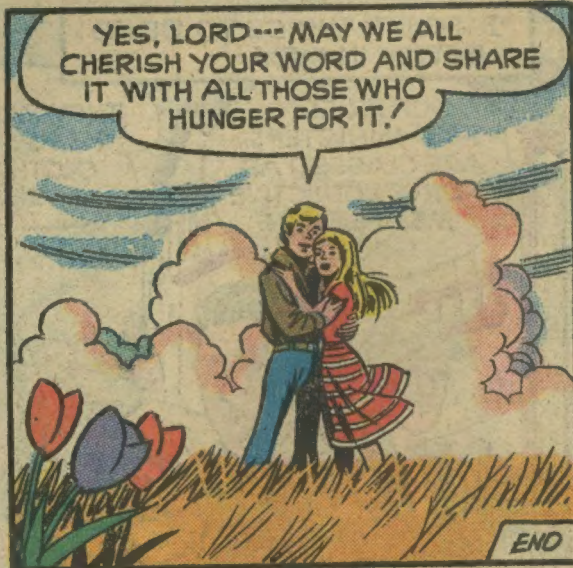
I FOUND THINGS TO BE NO  
BETTER IN CUBA---

OUR PRIESTS  
AND MINISTERS  
ARE CLASSED AS  
NON-PRODUCTIVE  
MEMBERS OF  
SOCIETY!

THEY RECEIVE  
NO FOOD OR  
CLOTHING  
RATIONS!

OUR PASTOR  
NOW WORKS AT  
FORCED LABOR WITH  
CONVICTS IN THE  
SUGAR CANE  
FIELDS!





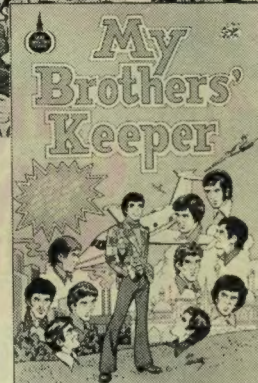
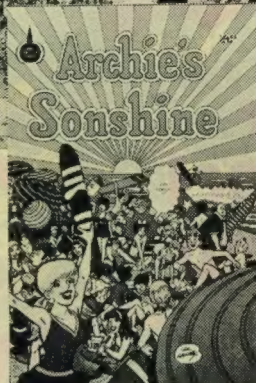
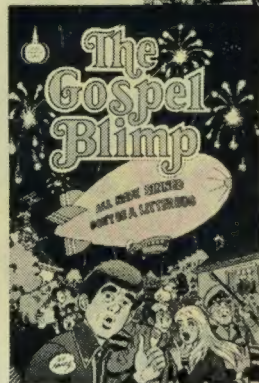
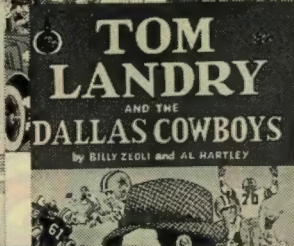
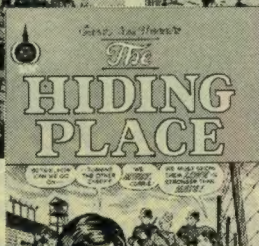
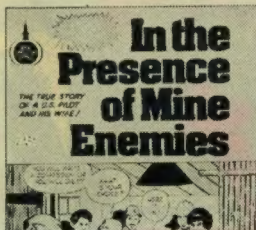
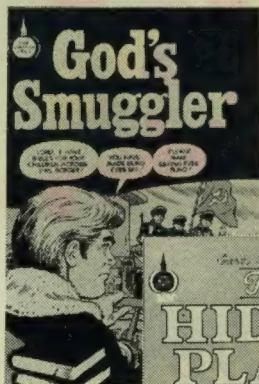


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